

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

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After the title of the invention insert the following heading:

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

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Please substitute the following paragraph for the paragraph beginning at line 1.

The invention relates to a fastening element, in particular for blind riveting, ~~having a hollow shank comprising a sethead at its free end, having a deformation segment to form a closure head, and having a connecting segment formed inside the shank, serving to form a tension-resistant connection with a mandrel, in particular the foot of a mandrel, the shank end opposed to the sethead being provided with a punch edge extending substantially along the outermost periphery of the shank and/or of the mandrel foot.~~

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After line 9 insert the following heading:

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Delete the paragraph beginning at line 11.

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Insert the following heading after line 19:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

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Insert the following paragraph after line 5:

Fig. 3A is an end view of a pyramidal foot of a mandrel as seen in the direction 3A-3A of Fig. 3B, which is a fragmentary elevation view of a mandrel with a pyramidal foot;

Before the last paragraph on page 7 insert the following heading:

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

Page 8, after line 21, insert the following paragraph:

Figs. 3A and 3B show a modification in which a mandrel 7' has a pyramidal foot 24'.